

ELECTION

Restriction was required between the following groups of claims:

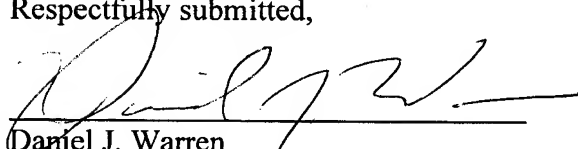
- I. Claims 1-14, drawn to a method of forming breadcrumbs; and
- II. Claims 15-32, drawn to the system for manufacturing the breadcrumbs.

The Applicant elects the Group II claims, Claims 15-32, with traverse. The Applicant notes that there would be no further burden in also examining the Group I claims in that, for example, the methods steps of Claim 1 (forming, extruding, surface drying, comminuting, and further drying) would require the same search as the system claim and its elements (an extruder, a first dryer, a comminuting device, and a second dryer).

CONCLUSION

The Applicant believes that it has responded in each matter raised in the office action. Allowance of all claims is respectfully solicited. Any questions may be directed to the undersigned at 404-853-8028.

Respectfully submitted,



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